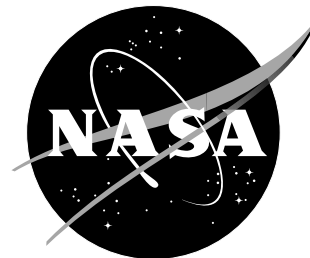


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NOTE TO EDITORS:

NASA Langley helps celebrate a century of the Carnegie Institute

The Carnegie Institute of Washington, D.C., has invited NASA to participate in their *Centennial Season of Capital Science Lectures*. Bruce Wielicki, a NASA Langley Research Center scientist, will give the first of three scheduled NASA lectures on March 21.

Wielicki will speak about climate change research in NASA's Earth Science Enterprise and the future of climate monitoring.

"Early observations from NASA's Earth Observing System satellites are giving us new insights into the climate system," said Wielicki. "But we have a long way to go before we fully understand climate change."

The Senior Scientist for Radiation Science at NASA Langley Research Center, Wielicki has led research on clouds and the Earth's radiative energy balance for over 20 years, ranging from theoretical modeling to global satellite observations. He has received the NASA Medal for Exceptional Scientific Achievement as well as the American Meteorological Society Henry G. Houghton Award.

Two other NASA presenters will follow the Earth science lecture at later dates. The topic of those will be talks on Space Science and Life and Microgravity under the theme "From our Earth to Other Earths". The lectures are free and open to the public.

The Carnegie Institute has been part of scientific discoveries making important contributions to astronomy, biology, and earth sciences since 1902. The Institute started the lecture series in the fall of 1990 to make modern science more accessible to the general public.

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